

**BERNARDS TOWNSHIP SEWERAGE AUTHORITY  
MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 14, 2021**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Those assembled saluted the flag and the chairperson read the open public meeting statement in accordance with the law.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Bannan (by phone, arrived 6:49), Crane, Fields (arrived 6:35), Orr, McNally (arrived 6:33)

**Absent:**

**Also Present:** Director Timko, Attorney Belardo, Superintendent Raymond, Buchart Horn Pullano

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Crane, second Bannan to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of November 23, 2021.

**All in favor; motion carried.**

Motion by Crane, second Bannan to approve the Rate Hearing Transcript of November 23, 2021.

**All in favor; motion carried.**

**4. CORRESPONDENCE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Flow Report- The only change is the pizza place on Henry Street has been approved by the Board of Adjustment, but we haven't received any paperwork for the allocation yet. There was an increase in the flows.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**6. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**a. Discussion-Connection Waiver Request 68 S Alward Ave.**

Homeowner asked to be heard and Orr opened the floor again.

Anthony Molloy-68 S Alward Ave.-Asked for a waiver to connect the garage to the main sewer line in the street. He is replacing the existing garage with a new garage. The garage will have a game room, bar, sink and refrigerator on the second floor. There will not be a stove. The first floor will have a bathroom and shower to be used for a future swimming pool. A stub was added during the house addition and was recently inspected and is in good condition. The town will still be getting the connection fee and the additional yearly fee. He believes it is unreasonable to go 50 feet rather than one foot to connect and it unreasonable to unnecessarily cut into the sewer, sidewalk, and road. He understands there is a concern about this being used as a rental or Airbnb. He stated firstly that this Authority has inspection rights and can show up at any reasonable time to see how the garage is being used. Secondly, he offers to put a restrictive covenant to run with the property that it won't be rented out and no one will live above the garage. He also stated there is already a mother-in-law apartment (the 6<sup>th</sup> bedroom) on the main floor of the residence with a restrictive covenant.

Belardo stated the Authority has never done a waiver for a garage or accessory building and we would be setting a precedent. Timko stated by not approving the waiver we are essentially denying it.

Fields made a motion to approve the waiver with a restrictive covenant, second by Crane.

**ROLL CALL**

**Aye:** Crane, Fields, Orr, McNally

**Nay:**

**Abstain:** Bannan

**Motion Carried**

**b. Discussion-Mike Pullano, PE, Buchart Horn**

Mike Pullano gave an overview of the new consulting firm. Currently they are preparing the DEP permit response.

**c. Resolution #2201 2022 Meeting Dates**

Motion by McNally, second Fields to approve Resolution #2201.

**ROLL CALL**

**Aye:** Bannan, Crane, Fields, Orr, McNally

**Nay:**

**Motion Carried**

**d. Resolution #2202 2022 Holiday Schedule**

Motion by Bannan, second McNally to approve Resolution #2202.

**ROLL CALL**

**Aye:** Bannan, Crane, Fields, Orr, McNally

**Nay:**

**Motion Carried**

**e. Resolution #2203 2022 Pay for Performance Coordination**

Motion by Crane, second McNally to approve Resolution #2203.

**ROLL CALL**

**Aye:** Bannan, Crane, Fields, Orr, McNally

**Nay:**

**Motion Carried**

**7. OPERATORS REPORT**

**November 2021 Report**

**FLOWS**

Total Flow	40,601,000	Gallons
Average Flow	1,353,000	Gallons
Maximum Flow	2,831,000	Gallons
Minimum Flow	797,000	Gallons

**OPERATION**

<u>Suspended Solids</u>	<u>Dry Weight</u>	<u>NJDEP Limit</u>
Influent	1162 Kg	
Effluent	25 Kg	280 Kg/Day
Net	1137 Kg	95.0 % Removed 85%

Suspended Solids in Effluent	4.0 Mg/l		30 Mg/l.
VG			
<u>CBOD</u>	<u>Dry Weight</u>		<u>NJDEP Limit</u>
Influent	442 Kg		
Effluent	11.0 Kg		75.7 Kg/Day
Net	431 Kg	96.0 % Removed	85%
CBOD in Effluent	2.0 Mg/l		8 Mg/l
<u>Phosphorus</u>	<u>Dry Weight</u>		<u>NJDEP Limit</u>
Influent	23 Kg		
Effluent	0.93 Kg		
Phosphorus in Effluent	0.17 Mg/l		0.76 Mg/l

### Remarks

Hypochlorite Used: 731 Gals. Sulfur Dioxide Used: 905 Lbs. Alum Used: 5700 Gals.  
Caustic Used: 0 Gals. Total Precipitation 1.46 Inches. Effluent reuse 6.326mg

### Comments

Routine work and samples completed. Ran gens at pump stations and plant. Checked Pleasant Valley Pump Stations (**requested by DEP enforcement agent**), BRI run, Checked drives, tanks, gens, and vehicles. Checked all syphons, checked Barons, and checked Jamestown Rd., changed carbon E. Oak, Juniper way, Fieldstone and MVR, flushed fieldstone force main, exercised valves at pump stations, exercised sluice gates and valves at plant, cleaned probes at stations, cleaned lagoon, repaired back yard lights, replaced rotted T-111 siding on JM Building, Cyber training, installed new heaters inside climber screen (**in house repair saving the Authority approx. \$1,000**), vehicle oil changes.

### TV inspection:

Wedgewood, Winding Ln, Grove Rd, Peachtree Rd, Homestead Rd, Peachtree, Woodstone Rd, Forest Trail, Crier Ct, Debra Ln, Gerard Ave LM-14-04 to LM-14-08 (removed concrete debris in line), Lancelot Ln, Kensington, Stockmar Dr.

### Jetted:

Gerard Ave LM-14-04 to LM-14-08 (removed concrete debris in line), ,

### Manhole inspections:

None

### Customer Service:

Odor complaint #9 Homeland Ave (rotting leaves).

### PROJECTS

**Security communication upgrade:** Emailed Albert ON 11/22/21 for an update on the laptop.  
**East Oak St. force main Rehab Phase 3:** Mike form SCE said they are Coordinating bid schedule with purchasing.

**O2D High Flow Bypass:** Mike from SCE said they are working on detailed update memo.

**Fieldstone Force Main:** SCE Submitting for DOT utility opening permit.

**Smoke Testing/CCTV/Cleaning/I&I Repairs:** Pre-con meeting held on 11/18/21 at 10am.

**Tie Breaker MCC4 – MCC5:** Sal Electric Co. is still working on a proposal; they were out again on 11/16/21 to take additional photos. They hope to have a proposal by next week.

**Solar software update:** Will have to wait until after 12/1/21. I will investigate ordering directly from AlsoEnergy.

### **November 2021 Monthly Safety Report**

Monthly safety inspections were completed.

Conducted weekly and monthly stormwater inspections.

Completed weekly emergency shower/ eye wash inspections.

Completed monthly checks on fire extinguishers, lights, emergency lighting, and exit signs.

Replaced light bulbs where needed.

Continued updating task hazard assessments.

Cyber security training conducted.

Prepared for December safety training.

Exercised plant gens, gates, and valves.

Worked on annual NJUA SIP.

Lost time no accidents 133 days (Plus November 30 days).

### **8. RESOLUTION #2204 – Approval of Bill List Dated: December 14, 2021 - \$186,187.81**

Motion by McNally, second Bannan to approve Resolution #2052 Bill List Dated December 14, 2021 - \$186,187.81

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Aye:** Bannan, Crane, Fields, Orr, McNally

**Nay:**

**Motion Carried**

### **9. MEMBER/STAFF COMMENTS**

Staff and Members wished everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and Happy Holidays.

### **10. RESOLUTION #2205 Closed Session**

Motion by Bannan, second Fields to go into closed session at 6:58 pm.

**All in favor; motion carried.**

Motion by Fields second Bannan, to return to open session at 7:27 pm.

**All in favor; motion carried**

### **11. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Bannan, second McNally, to adjourn at 7:28 pm.

**All in flavor; motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Long